

**ABSOLUTE RATING:** Below Average

**IMPROVEMENT RATING:** Average

Number of districts with students like ours: 14.

The absolute ratings for those districts ranged from below average to good. For improvement ratings, the range was from unsatisfactory to good.

#### Definitions of District Rating Terms

**Excellent-** District performance substantially exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

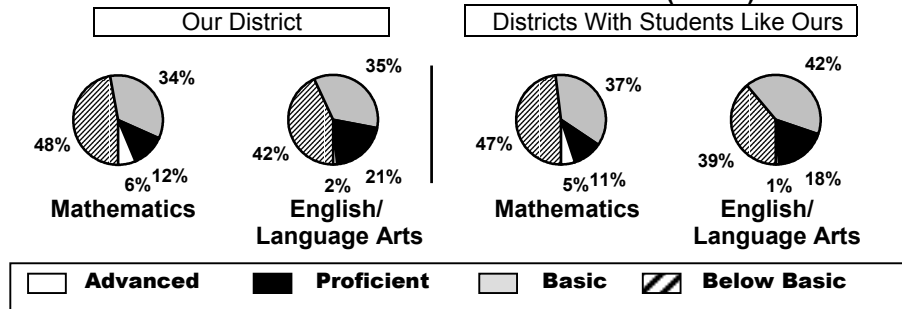
**Good-** District performance exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

**Average-** District performance meets the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

**Below Average-** District is in jeopardy of not meeting the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

**Unsatisfactory-** District performance fails to meet the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

### PALMETTO ACHIEVEMENT CHALLENGE TESTS (PACT) RESULTS



#### DEFINITIONS OF CRITICAL TERMS:

- Advanced** – Student performance exceeded expectations.
- Proficient** – Student performance met expectations.
- Basic** – Student performance met minimum performance expectations.
- Below Basic** – Student performance did not meet minimum performance expectations.

#### PERFORMANCE BY STUDENT GROUPS

Student Group	Percent of Seniors Passing the Exit Exam	Percent of Seniors Qualifying for LIFE Scholarships	Percent of Students Scoring Basic or Above on the PACT	
			ELA	Math
<b>All Students</b>	87.5%	10.3%	57%	52.8%
Students with disabilities other than Speech	66.7%	0.0%	5.4%	10.8%
Students without disabilities	88.3%	10.5%	62.4%	57.2%
<b>Gender</b>				
Male	78.6%	3.8%	47.8%	46.4%
Female	94.3%	15.6%	67.4%	60%
<b>Ethnic Group</b>				
African-American	85.7%	0.0%	45.8%	42.1%
Hispanic	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
White	89.3%	24.0%	72.3%	67.6%
Other	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Lunch Status</b>				
Free/ Reduced-Price Lunch	87.1%	0.0%	49.5%	46%
Pay for Lunch	100.0%	27.3%	83.3%	76.7%

### TENTH GRADE PASSAGE OF ONE OR MORE SUBTESTS OF THE EXIT EXAM

	First-time Examinees		
	1999	2000	2001
Our district			
Passed all 3 subtests	47.4%	47.0%	50.8%
Passed 2 subtests	23.7%	24.2%	18.5%
Passed 1 subtest	17.1%	13.6%	10.8%
Passed no subtest	11.8%	15.2%	20.0%
Districts with students like ours			
Passed all 3 subtests	55.2%	53.5%	58.4%
Passed 2 subtests	22.0%	21.3%	18.9%
Passed 1 subtest	14.2%	14.9%	13.0%
Passed no subtest	8.6%	10.4%	9.7%

### LIFE scholarships at four-year institutions

	Eligible	Percent of Seniors Meeting Grade Point Average Requirement	Meeting SAT/ACT Requirement
Our District	10.3%	75.9%	10.3%
Districts Like Ours	10.6%	42.9%	10.9%

**College Admissions Tests:** Tests that are frequently used in the college admissions process.

	SAT Verbal		SAT Math		SAT Total		ACT English		ACT Math		ACT Reading		ACT Science		ACT Total	
	2000	2001	2000	2001	2000	2001	2000	2001	2000	2001	2000	2001	2000	2001	2000	2001
District	420	406	408	436	828	842	15.7	14.7	18.0	18.1	14.3	16.4	16.2	17.9	16.3	16.9
State	484	486	482	488	966	974	18.7	18.8	19.2	19.3	19.5	19.5	19.2	19.2	19.3	19.3
Nation	505	506	514	514	1019	1020	20.5	20.5	20.7	20.7	21.4	21.3	21.0	21.0	21.0	21.0

*These tests were administered to samples of students:*

**Terra Nova Test:** A national, norm-referenced achievement test.

Percent scoring in upper half

	Reading		Language		Math		Total	
	State	Nation	State	Nation	State	Nation	State	Nation
Grade 4	47.8	50.0	43.1	50.0	58.4	50.0	50.5	50.0
Grade 7	45.8	50.0	59.4	50.0	54.7	50.0	53.9	50.0
Grade 10	59.6	50.0	59.5	50.0	62.4	50.0	59.1	50.0

**National Assessment of Education Progress :** A national, criterion-referenced achievement test.

#### Percents of Students

Test	Grade	Year	Advanced		Proficient		Basic		Below Basic	
			State	Nation	State	Nation	State	Nation	State	Nation
Reading	4	1998	4	6	18	23	33	32	45	39
Writing	8	1998	0	1	15	23	64	59	21	17
Mathematics	4	2000	2	3	16	23	42	43	40	31

## DISTRICT PROFILE

### INDICATORS OF DISTRICT PERFORMANCE

	This District	Change from Last Year	Districts With Students Like Ours	Median District
<b>DISTRICT</b>				
• Dollars per student	\$6,190	N/A	\$6,541	\$6,464
• Prime instructional time	88.9%	Down from 90.3%	88.9%	89.4%
• Student-teacher ratio	21.5 to 1	N/A	19.5 to 1	20.2 to 1
• Vacancies for more than nine weeks	1.6%	N/A	1.5%	0.6%
<b>STUDENTS (n=901)</b>				
• Advanced placement/ int'l baccalaureate program exam success ratio	0%	N/A	32.5%	43.8%
• Attendance Rate	96.5%	No change	95.7%	95.7%
• Taking PACT (ELA) off grade level	2.8%	N/A	7.1%	5.8%
• Taking PACT (Math) off grade level	2.8%	N/A	5.9%	4.5%
• Retention rate	3.6%	Down from 4.1%	7.2%	6.0%
<b>TEACHERS (n=63)</b>				
• Professional development days per teacher	8.5 Days	Up from 8.1	7.7 Days	7.8 Days
• Attendance rate	94.2%	Down from 95.5%	94.3%	95.2%
• Advanced Degrees	31.7%	Down from 42.6%	41%	44.4%
• Continuing contracts	65.1%	Down from 87.1%	81.1%	81.4%
• Out-of-field permits	7.9%	Up from 3.2%	2.1%	2.2%
• Teachers returning from the previous year	87.7%	Down from 92.2%	87.6%	89.5%
• Average salary	\$35,388	Down 0.5%	\$35,460	\$37,143

## DISTRICT FACTS

<b>DISTRICT</b>				
• Annual dropout rate	1.7%	No change	2.2%	2.9%
• Percentage spent on teacher salaries	54.3%	N/A	48.9%	50.9%
• Superintendent's years in the district	10	N/A	2	3.5
• Parent conferences	99%	N/A	84.5%	81.0%
• Opportunities in the arts	Good	N/A	Good	Excellent
• Number of schools	3	No change	6	8
• Number of alternative schools	0	No change	0	0
• Number of charter schools	0	No change	0	0
• Number of magnet schools	0	N/A	0	0
• Portable classrooms	0%	N/A	3.1%	6.5%
• Attendance rate of district office staff	95.7%	Down from 98.5%	97.6%	97.5%
• Average administrative salary	\$65,842	Up 6.6%	\$63,400	\$64,098
<b>STUDENTS</b>				
• Enrollment in adult education GED or diploma programs	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
• Percent of completions in adult education GED or diploma programs	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
• Suspensions and expulsions	8	N/A	94	100
• Percent eligible for state gifted and talented programs	3.9%	Down from 5.1%	7.6%	10.5%
• Percentage with disabilities other than speech	7.3%	Up from 6.9%	9.5%	10.5%

Dillon 1 School District  
PO Box 644  
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**Grades** K-12

**Enrollment:** 901 Students

**Superintendent** Stephen Laird 843-759-3001

**Board Chair** Earl Gleason, Jr. 843-464-2288

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### DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

The Dillon District One Schools are committed to excellence for all students in all areas. One important method to fulfill this commitment is recruitment and retention of quality staff. We have been fortunate in a time of teacher shortage to continue to attract teachers who are willing to give of themselves to their students. Particularly gratifying is the return of several Lake View graduates to our system.

Our board has made a strong commitment to providing modern technology for teaching and learning. The district has received the federal Technology Literacy Challenge Fund grant for three consecutive years. The \$440,000 from these grants is providing Internet access in every classroom, four computers per class, and three computer labs. A Goals 2000 grant for \$100,000 provides software for teaching the South Carolina standards and Internet connections to lesson plans and other materials.

To help our children reach the standards set by the state, we have received two Twenty-first Century grants for over \$200,000 a year. These grants provide our students with after school and summer school education. A Communities in Schools grant provides additional assistance. Our elementary school teachers wrote a grant providing parent education in the standards. This grant was extremely successful.

It would be impossible to list all the individual achievements of our students. The most noteworthy included six LIFE scholarship winners, a Palmetto Fellow scholarship winner, a National Merit Finalist, and two students named to the Governor's School.

Our commitment to excellence reaches beyond academics. Four of our athletic teams reached the playoffs. Our baseball team won their fifth straight state championship and the sixth in seven years.

The Dillon One Schools cannot succeed without the contributions of parents and community. We thank you for all you have done and ask that you continue your support.

Stephen Laird

Superintendent

### South Carolina Performance Goal:

By 2010, South Carolina's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the five fastest improving systems in the country.

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